**SENATE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 1849** 

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts				
PRESENTED BY:				
Walsh, Marian (SEN)				
To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:				
The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:				
An Act relative to the rights of victims of crimes.				
PETITION OF:				

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Marian Walsh	Suffolk and Norfolk

## [SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE SENATE, NO. S01035 OF 2007-2008.]

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the	Year	Two	Thousand	and	Nine

## AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE RIGHTS OF VICTIMS OF CRIMES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- SECTION 1. Subsection (t) of section 3 of chapter 258B of the General Laws, as
- 2 appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the phrase
- 3 "telephone number" the following sentence: -
- 4 "The criminal history systems board shall promulgate rules and regulations concerning the
- 5 content and procedure of the notification."
- 6 SECTION 2. Said Section 3 of chapter 258B of the General Laws, as appearing in the
- 7 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following clause:-
- 8 "(w) for any victims, the family members of such victim if the victim is a minor, incompetent or
- 9 deceased, witnesses and family members of homicide victims who have completed an
- application for certification with the criminal history systems board, to receive a confirmation
- letter verifying their certification. The criminal history systems board shall promulgate rules and
- regulations regulating the content and procedure of the confirmation letters."